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PATENT APPLICATION

*IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE*

*Group:* Unknown

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*Docket:* 29385-68773

*Applicant:* KATO, et al.

*Invention:* STRIP CASTING APPARATUS

*Serial No:* Unknown

*Filed:* Herewith (October 19, 2001)

*Examiner:* Unknown

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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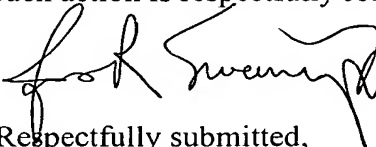
Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for a one month extension of time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the \$110.00 fee in connection with this response to Applicant's undersigned counsel's deposit account 10-0435, referencing Applicant's undersigned counsel's file 29385-68773. A duplicate copy of this authorization is enclosed for this purpose.

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Accordingly, Applicant submits that this application is now in condition for favorable consideration, culminating in allowance. Such action is respectfully requested.

  
Respectfully submitted,

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